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County council approves budget in principle

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Haliburton County councillors approved the 2019 budget in principle during a Feb. 25 meeting, that budget including money for a physician recruiter and further work on transit.

The budget will include a residential tax rate increase of 5.72 per cent, which translates to an increase of \$11.39 for every \$100,000 of assessment. That is the rate increase for the upper-tier level, and is exclusive of tax increases at each of the four lower tiers, as well as the school board.

As reported earlier, county councillors have been discussing hiring a physician recruiter, a position that would have been coupled with economic development responsibilities. According to a report from chief administrative officer Mike Rutter, "it has become evident that the creation of a job description and

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A house on Gelert Road was destroyed by fire on Feb. 20. Minden Hills Fire Department responded to the 2 p.m. call at 1211 Gelert Road and were able to contain the fire to the house, saving the nearby garage from damage. According to Mike Bekking, interim fire chief, crews were hampered by difficulty in obtaining water due to ice conditions on a nearby pond. Haliburton Highlands OPP, EMS, County Roads Department and Dysart firefighters assisted at the scene. / SUE TIFFIN Staff

Fire on Gelert Road destroys house

by SUE TIFFIN
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Fire crews put a water shuttle into action on Feb. 20 when they arrived at the scene of

a fire at 1211 Gelert Road to find a fully engulfed house and a lack of water source in a non-hydrant area.

"Our guys had to go a fair distance before they could find some acceptable water," said Minden Hills fire chief Mike Bekking.

"You've gotta understand there's a lot of ice out there so what they look for is a body of water that's close to a roadway and they've got access to, and we prefer flowing water so we don't have to cut through the ice."

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Water sources hard to find in winter

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Fire crews on scene worked to move propane tanks from behind the house, while trucks headed out to establish the closest water source, bringing water back from Kinmount.

"All of that stuff takes time, so that's basically what we were waiting for there, is to establish some kind of a water source," said Bekking. "We did get water, it's just that

sometimes it takes a little longer than others because of travel distance."

There were no human injuries but two cats were reported to have died in the fire, which did not reach to the nearby garage.

The cause of the fire is currently undetermined. Fire crews were on scene until about 8 p.m. putting out hot spots. Seven Minden firefighters and four Dysart firefighters, and members of Haliburton Highlands OPP, EMS and the county roads department attended.



Firefighters fill a portable tank with water they pumped from a water source near Kinmount to douse the fire at a home on Gelert Road. In total seven Minden firefighters attended with four Dysart firefighters assisting. There were no human injuries but two cats were reported to have perished in the fire. The cause of the fire is currently undetermined. / SUE TIFFIN Staff



The dashcam on Fred Pyziak's vehicle captured images of a fire on Gelert Road before the fire department arrived. Pyziak was on his way home from Peterborough when he saw the smoke and pulled over to call 911. /Photo submitted

AH passes 2019 budget

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integrity commissioner will be responsible for not only investigating any complaints lodged against councillors or staff members, but will also act as an educational resource for councillors.

"My only question on this page would be if we've allotted enough money for an integrity commissioner," said Deputy Mayor Liz Daniels, noting that Algonquin Highlands council has a couple of new members following last year's municipal elections, and that they may have questions.

Treasurer Tammy McKelvey said she'd budgeted \$5,000 under consulting fees for the integrity commissioner, and \$5,000 to be placed in reserve.

"I'm suggesting we start a reserve for that purpose," McKelvey said. "We have \$10,000 in this budget."

Other additions to the budget include \$5,000 for consulting services for the continuation of an organizational review of the township, and \$29,000 in wages in case the provincial government pulls a \$30,000 grant for the Stewardship Ranger program. If provincial funding continues, the township will either put that money back into reserves or allocate it elsewhere.

There is \$5,000 for survey work at Buttermilk Falls, where the township plans to make trail improvements and take measures to mitigate trespassing on a neighbouring resort property, and \$2,000 for signage along the Beetle Lake trail. A new environmental reserve was also created, with \$2,000 allocated.

While the provincial government has announced it is reviewing the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund, for this year, Algonquin Highlands will retain the same level of funding it received in 2018, approximately \$1.26 million.

Council will also consider borrowing money for one of two major capital projects. One is a new public works garage at Stanhope, where the current facility is too small and provides inadequate storage space. The second would be the reconstruction of the satellite office and public works garage in Dorset.

"We carry no discernible debt and now is a good time to borrow so we added in part of the potential repayment of a possible \$1 million debenture for one of those two projects," Mayor Carol Moffatt told the *Times*. "Reports will be coming forward on both and council will decide. Since neither one would actually start in 2019, we can use the 2020 budget to capture the other part of the potential repayment, spreading it out over two years."

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We carry no discernible debt and now is a good time to borrow

— MARY CAROL MOFFATT



Cheryl Reid, left, district governor with the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs, along with Algonquin Highlands Deputy Mayor and County Warden Liz Danielsen, joined members of the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association on Feb. 23 for the dedication of a reconstructed bridge spanning the Beech River in memory of late HCSA stalwart Peter Overington. / CHAD INGRAM Staff

Snowmobile bridge dedicated to Overington

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

A reconstructed snowmobile bridge in Algonquin Highlands was dedicated in the memory of late Haliburton County Snowmobile Association stalwart Peter Overington in a ribbon-cutting ceremony during the weekend.

Members of the club and friends of Overington, who passed away last year, gathered at the bridge spanning the Beech River on Feb. 23.

As club member John Enright explained, Overington was instrumental in obtaining an abandoned railway bed for conversion into local snowmobile trails.

"Without Peter, we wouldn't have that," Enright said. "Thousands and thousands of hours."

Overington also facilitated directional signage on the trails, with arrow signs he'd been able to obtain from the Expo 67 warehouse.

"He said, I'll take them all and posted them on our trails," Enright said. "He took, like, 25,000 of them and put them up in Haliburton County."

Enright added that Overington was also instrumental in advocating health and safety practices in the club.

Algonquin Highlands township provided

\$8,000 in funding toward the \$58,000 project, also funded by the HCSA and the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs.

"We all support this and we know how much it means to the county and to our municipality," said Algonquin Highlands Deputy Mayor and Haliburton County Warden Liz Danielsen as she helped cut the ribbon on the reconstructed bridge.

Cheryl Reid, local district governor with the OFSC, was also in attendance.

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Public Welcome

Meetings are held in the Minden Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street.

Mar 14 - COTW Meeting

Mar 28 - Regular Meeting of Council
For Council, Boards & Advisory Committee meetings, visit www.mindenhills.ca

Note: Council meetings are reduced to one (1) for the months of July, August and December.



TIME TO CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS AND THE BATTERIES IN ALL SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE ALARMS

Clocks will fall back one hour at 2am on Sunday, March 10 and the Minden Hills Fire Department is recommending residents install new batteries in their smoke and carbon monoxide alarms when they change their clocks.

Fire Chief, Mike Bekking wants to remind you that "In order for smoke and carbon monoxide alarms to do their job, they need to have working batteries." "Once a year, old batteries should be replaced with new batteries. When you change your clocks on Sunday, March 10, Minden Hills Fire Department wants everyone to take the time to install new batteries in all alarms."

In order to survive a fire, you need to be provided with an early warning and know what to do when the smoke alarms sound. Working smoke alarms are required on every story of the home and outside all sleeping areas. For added protection, it is recommended to also install smoke alarms inside all bedrooms.

Carbon monoxide alarms must be installed outside all sleeping areas if your home has a fuel-burning appliance, fireplace or attached garage.

Tampering with or removing the batteries from your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms is against the law. Failure to comply with the Fire Code can result in a ticket for \$360 or a fine of up to \$50,000.



NOTICE – 2019 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will commence the 3rd Round of its 2019 Budget deliberations during its Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for March 14, 2019.

The meeting will commence at 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers, located at 7 Milne Street, Minden ON.

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Grade 8 students learn curriculum through cooking

by SUE TIFFIN
Times Staff

The Minden Community Food Centre kitchen was bustling last week when Grade 8 students from Archie Stouffer Elementary School joined with Food Centre volunteers to roll up their sleeves and slice, dice, blend and mix with hands-on experience in the kitchen.

The students walk as a class to the culinary arts experience, where they learn components of healthy living supporting the Grade 8 curriculum, including demonstrating an understanding of different types of nutrients and their functions, evaluating personal food choices on the basis of a variety of criteria, including serving size, nutrient content, energy value, ingredients, preparation method and other factors that can affect health and well-being, and identifying strategies for promoting healthy eating within the school, home, and community.

"I think it is a great opportunity to bring our community members together," said Shannon Blanchard, ASES educator. "We have a wealth of knowledge in our community that our youth can learn from, and why not gain life skills, such as knife handling, reading recipes and following directions, and health and safety while in a community space, such as our local community kitchen."

At the first lessons, held on Feb. 20 and 21, students were creating fruit smoothies, and learning how to cut different vegetables, including celery, cauliflower and peppers, to be used with a hummus dip.

"I love it, they love it," said Michelle Kernohan, Grade 8 teacher, who said the class of life skills helped the students learn to take care of themselves and make healthy food choices, so that they might think about how easy it is to make a smoothie rather than reach for a bag of chips when wanting a snack.

In the program, the students will learn about safe cutting techniques and knife safety, about cross contamination and how to avoid it, how to prepare meat safely and safely operate a stove top and oven, prepare soup from scratch, use Canada's Food Guide to understand a balanced diet, and how to read and understand a food label.

"We love the positive experience that the students are getting in Grade 8," said Jane Austin, ASES principal. "They are learning about healthy eating habits, budgeting, coop-



Grade 8 Archie Stouffer Elementary School students (with teacher Michelle Kernohan) gather around volunteer, Betty Mark, left, as she demonstrates how to make a smoothie. The students are participating in an eight-week program at the Minden Community Food Centre that will culminate in them planning, shopping for and creating a banquet meal for their parents. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

eration skills, cooking skills and community involvement."

The eight-week program culminates in a banquet meal for their parents that students create, from menu planning, to ingredient shopping to preparation and serving. The program is funded by Feed Ontario, a collaboration between Monsanto and the Ontario Association of Food Banks.



Nevaeh Smith, left, and Lindsey Stata wash vegetables to cut in a cooking class.

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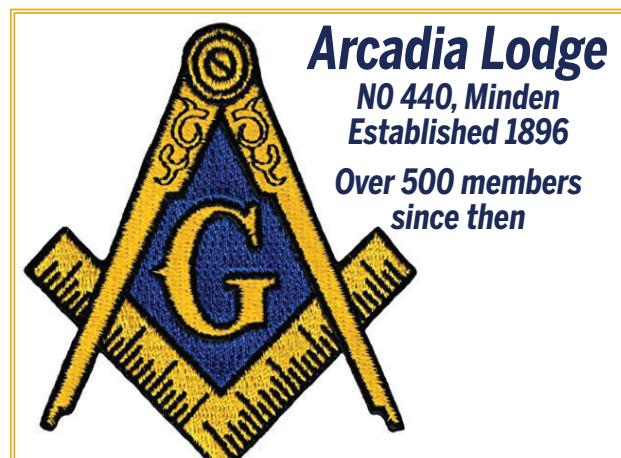


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Barry pushes for plastics reduction

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands Councillor Lisa Barry would like to see the township use less plastic by gravitating away from plastic water bottles to reusable vessels instead.

"The environment committee has been pretty big advocates of trying to decrease the amount of plastic water bottles, and since we do have drinking water access points in the township, I wonder if there's room for the township to sell, or use, reusable water vessels," Barry said during a Feb. 20 budget meeting, indicating that perhaps such containers could be sold at locations such as trails

offices or the Stanhope airport. "I see it as an expense, but potentially revenue as well."

"My gut reaction would be not to be selling something like that," said Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen, who chaired the meeting in absence of Mayor Carol Moffatt. "I would be more apt to see us encourage, somehow, supplying or making sure our own people have reusable vessels."

"We have explored that and are continuing to," said chief administrative officer Angie Bird. "It's a challenge, there's no question. If you provide that to your workers, there's nothing to ensure that they bring them to work."

Councillor Jennifer Dailloux said the gym she goes to has instituted a no one-time use plastics policy.

"And after a short period of time, people

figured it out and adapted to it and they bring in their own water bottles," Dailloux said.

Bird said she wouldn't want to put staff who may forget water at a health and safety risk, especially during the hot summer months. She said the township could probably reduce, but likely not completely eliminate, its use of plastic water bottles.

"It would take some time to implement," she said.

Public works director Adam Thorn said he had looked into it for staff, and the cost would likely be \$20 to \$30 for personal industrialized water bottles.

"The trouble that I've run into with this research is, like Angie said, what do we do if somebody forgets a water bottle at home?" Thorn said. "It can very easily happen . . . we'd still have to carry cases of water with

us."

Thorn also posited that public works employees may end up spending a lot of time going back and forth to refill their water bottles.

"I think the best practice that I wanted to move forward into this year was making sure that all staff have the ability to recycle that, that they're being proactive, that they're not leaving the bottles in the trucks," Thorn said.

Treasurer Tammy McKelvey also pointed out that it may be unrealistic to expect the township's firefighters to remember to take water with them to a call, and that during, say, a 12-hour call, water that firefighters had brought with them may not be sufficient.

"There's some opportunities, things we can think about," said Danielsen.

Ultimately, reusable water bottles for staff were not included in the budget.



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The driveway

A STRONG, FRIGID wind bites the skin on my face as it hurls cyclones of snow across a vast expanse of frozen, white wasteland, drift upon drift stretching on for as far as the eye can see.

It's Monday morning and I'm about to snow-blow the driveway.

Monday mornings are rude enough to begin with, but a night of raging winds has turned the front yard into a nightmarish landscape that from the porch resembles the Arctic tundra. It is the one-millionth snow day of the 2018/19 school year for Haliburton County students.

"Snow days should come with perks for adults too, like gift certificates to Home Depot, or something," I grumble to myself as I get out the snowblower.

Our driveway is an expanse of about 100 feet from the house to the road, so about the longest distance anyone would want to try to clear with a snowblower, or probably more than people in their right mind would attempt. Today the drifts are two feet high in some places, interlaced with layers of ice for that extra challenge. As I trudge my way slowly toward the road, shoving the machine in front of me, I'm pretty sure I know how members of the Franklin expedition must have felt before becoming

ensconced in their icy graves.

I also badly wish I'd remembered to put snow pants over top of my thin, flannel ones, but this is what happens when I try to function before coffee.

As I break onto the road, I'm certain I'll never see the house again. What will I tell anthropologists about Haliburton County in 2019 when they finally find my remains? I try hard not to think about the fact that two brief weeks ago, I was drinking Coronas beside a pool in southwest Florida. If I cry, the tears will freeze to my face. I try to summon some patriotism, telling myself this is part of what makes us Canadian, but just end up wishing I'd been born Jamaican.

On my third or fourth pass, I stop briefly to curse the pioneers of Haliburton County. If they hadn't starting settling here nearly two centuries ago, I wouldn't be here now, would I? So in a roundabout way, this is all their fault.

The terrible task behind me, I climb the stairs to the door, eyebrows and beard encased in icy snow, pyjamas soaked through with sweat under my coat.

At least a day at the office won't seem like much work.



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IN OTHER WORDS

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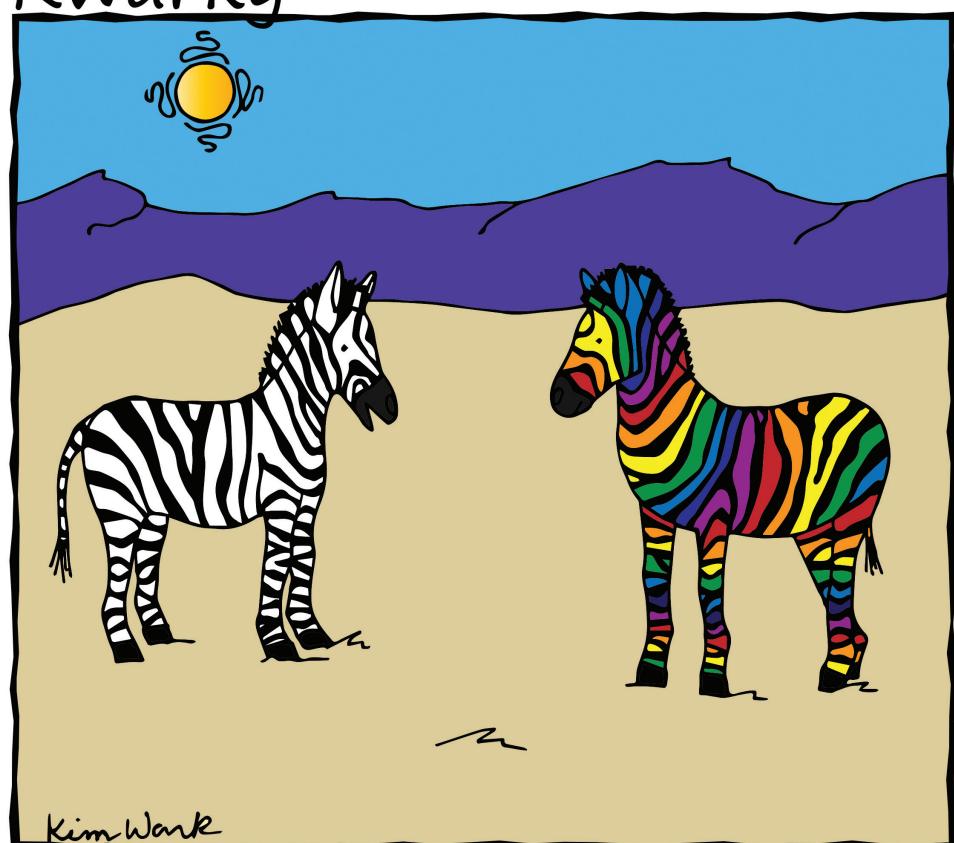
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"Stripes aren't dazzling enough?"

Complications

IF THERE IS one thing we outdoorsmen know how to do, it is complicate things. This is the reason we now use strike indicators rather than bobbers and have graphite fishing rods instead of hand cut willow poles.

I have been reminded of this a lot lately because I have been playing around with slingshots. And, as I noted in a recent column, the technology has improved a whole lot since I was a kid.

Back in those simpler times, all you needed was a forked stick cut from a sturdy tree, the elastic out your best underwear and a few round stones. Combined, these things would make a serviceable weapon of glass destruction and cause you to attach suspenders to your underwear, so you'd look cool using it.

I won't get into the advancements of the modern slingshot much except to say that we have really complicated things this time. Now, bands are custom made out of various types of latex, each having its own particular set of advantages and disadvantages. They are also specifically cut for the shooter's draw length and tapered for the ammunition at hand, which could be stainless steel, plastic, clay, lead or marble and have diameters measured precisely in millimetres.

Some modern slingshots have ergonomically designed handles, wrist braces, and glow in the dark sights as well as pouches made from all sorts of esoteric materials, each purported to enhance accuracy and velocity. Several slingshots are designed to fold for compactness and one has storage space in the handle that holds a flint stick and ammunition. It also has a small



STEVE GALEA
Beyond 35

compass on board too. This is a great slingshot for those survival situations in which you remembered to bring a slingshot along. Another has a rail for a red dot sight or a tactical flashlight, just in case you need to slingshot in the dark, I guess.

It doesn't end with the new complicated technology either. Each product now has all sorts of video support and instruction. This means you cannot properly shoot a slingshot these days unless you have watched at least a dozen of the 5,000 or so YouTube tutorials available on the subject. If you ignore these, you are clearly not serious about destroying soda cans.

Don't get me wrong. None of these advancements are bad. But they are symptoms of what happens when a designer of outdoors tools and marketing people have too much time on their hands. Mark my words; things in the slingshot world are about to spiral out of control. We are on course to wring every bit of performance we can out of them.

Before long, I suspect, they will be making specially designed bipods and slingshot scopes as well as scientifically developed ammunition with better ballistic co-efficiencies. If this continues, the adult sportsman of the future will be absolutely deadly at hitting pop cans at distances of 30 or 40 feet, should he or she get the windage right and not suck at shooting.

This will take much of the fun out of it because when you hit all the time you don't rejoice at the hits but you do get frustrated at the misses.

Sometimes I long for those simpler days.

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

The germ that ate their brains

PERHAPS BECAUSE of our northern latitude, or perhaps because we thought we had been vaccinated, we expected Canada to escape the epidemic.

Alas, we haven't. It is here, perhaps swept in on wind shifts created by climate change. Or, maybe it came with the same cough or sneeze that started this winter's measles outbreak.

Whatever, sadly its arrival has been confirmed by observers on Ottawa's Parliament Hill.

P-BED, the clinical abbreviation for Political Brain Eating Disease, has been raging in much of the western world, notably the United States and Britain. Canada, however, appeared to be immune.

The Canadian economy was burbling along with a relatively stable employment rate. Its politics were calm compared with the Mad King disaster in the U.S. or the Brexit lunacy in the U.K.

Canada's prime minister, the boy in long pants and rolled up shirt sleeves, was saying good things and gaining attention and respect in a world gone increasingly mad. All appeared to be . . . well, sensibly Canadian.

Then P-BED struck in the form of the SNC-Lavalin affair.

First came the humiliating demotion of Jody Wilson-Raybould from justice minister and attorney-general to veteran's affairs minister. The prime minister said it was not a demotion. He had to move her because someone had resigned from cabinet, making a shuffle necessary.

Let me pause this narrative to say that as someone who did two journalistic tours of duty on Silly Hill, being removed from almost any other cabinet post and being sent to veterans affairs is a massive demotion. Anyone who has worked on the Hill knows that.

Not long after that, Wilson-Raybould resigned from cabinet. The prime minister said he could not understand why.

Then Gerald Butts, the prime minister's principal secretary and close adviser and friend, resigned. There were allegations that senior officials in the prime minister's office pressured Wilson-Raybould as attorney-general to shelve criminal charges against SNC-Lavalin, a leading global engineering firm from Quebec.

Butts said in his resignation letter that he did not pressure Wilson-Raybould. He did not give a reason for his resignation but tossed in this non sequitur: Our kids and grandkids will judge us all on one issue above all others – climate change.

That's probably true, but what climate change has to do with his and Wilson-Raybould's resignations, SNC-Lavalin and the prime minister's odd statements on the whole mess is anyone's guess. My guess is P-BED.

The most obvious manifestation of brain eating disease occurred last week when Michael Wernick, who as Clerk of the Privy Council is the country's top bureaucrat, testified before the House of Commons justice committee.

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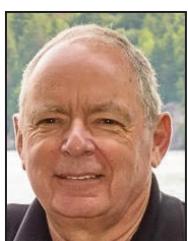
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JIM POLING SR.
From *Shaman's Rock*

minister said it was not a demotion. He had to move her because someone had resigned from cabinet, making a shuffle necessary.

Let me pause this narrative to say that as someone who did two journalistic tours of duty on Silly Hill, being removed from almost any other cabinet post and being sent to veterans affairs is a massive demotion. Anyone who has worked on the Hill knows that.

Not long after that, Wilson-Raybould resigned from cabinet. The prime minister said he could not understand why.

Then Gerald Butts, the prime minister's principal secretary and close adviser and friend, resigned. There were allegations that senior officials in the prime minister's office pressured Wilson-Raybould as attorney-general to shelve criminal charges against SNC-Lavalin, a leading global engineering firm from Quebec.

Butts said in his resignation letter that he did not pressure Wilson-Raybould. He did not give a reason for his resignation but tossed in this non sequitur: Our kids and grandkids will judge us all on one issue above all others – climate change.

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Letters to the editor

Larger class sizes should trouble parents

Dear Haliburton County Residents,

Since the Ford government took over, there have been a number of issues, directly impacting this area, which cause me great concern. The cancelling of all "green" initiatives eliminated a project which would have created employment and cost reduction to Dysart. The refusal to add the extra dollar an hour to the minimum wage assures we will remain one of the poorest counties in the province. The directive to caucus to not use the words "climate change" in writings or interviews is frighteningly anti-democratic. Thankfully, he was forced to back away from some of his slash and burn proposals regarding the environment but many remain on the table.

Ford's view of education is even scarier. There was a huge backlash to his plan to cancel full-time JK/SK programming but his solution to saving money, without regard to our children, is to

contemplate having larger classes. For years, research has suggested early childhood education is supremely important. Having taught classes of 29 and 30, I can attest to the fact that there are already too many little ones in a room, even with two teachers. The space is not adequate and the expectations are that the children will not only be kept safe and well behaved, but that they will absorb a "three R's" curriculum which keeps growing. To put it in terms non-teachers might appreciate – if you were having a birthday party for 29 three-, four- and five-year-olds, how many adults would you like in the room? Smaller numbers are so important in primary grades.

Please write our MPP to raise your concern over JK/SK class size increases and any other issues that worry you.

Pat Brezina
Minden

Loaded carries

WE HAVE BEEN carrying stuff since the beginning of time. Parts of the fitness industry are focusing on making strength training more about function than aesthetics. Having biceps that pop are useless when you can't get out of bed because of a sore back. Thankfully, there is a growing interest in making something as simple as carrying a weight a cool exercise to do. It's brilliant.

Dan John, a strength coach, has popularized "loaded carries." He believes that they should be part of any athlete's training program. If they're good for athletes they're good or even great for the rest of us.

A loaded carry is done by picking up a weighted object (dumbbell, kettlebell, barbell, jug of bleach) of your choice and walking with it. That's the extent of it. I'm being serious here. Add some tunes that inspire you and you're off to the races!

This simple exercise works nearly every muscle in your body. It improves strength, stability and overall conditioning all at once. The muscles of the upper back and the shoulders are involved in holding the object. The other muscles of the core such as abs, back, glutes are involved in keeping you upright. It almost goes without saying that grip strength is also improved.

There are a number of ways to do loaded



LAURIE SWEIG
Practical Fitness

carries. If this is something you'd like to incorporate into your routine I recommend using all of the variations listed below for the best results.

- Farmer's Walk: Grab a weight in each hand and walk.
- One Arm Farmer's Walk: Just as it sounds – only one weight. This changes the muscles that are used to keep you upright and moving in a straight line.

- Waiter's Walk: Hold the weights over your head (go for something really light to start). Try it with two weights first and then go one weight at a time version.

As with any exercise start with a light weight and build gradually from that starting

point. After safely picking up the weight establish strong posture and go. Walk either fast or slow for 20 to 30 seconds. The speed of your movement will affect your body in different ways. It's good to do both.

Loaded carries are something we do in our daily lives. You're already good at this. Add some weight to the activity and you'll get even better.

Something to think about.

Laurie Sweig is a certified personal fitness trainer and spinning instructor. She owns and operates The Point for Fitness. She can be reached at laurie@thepointforfitness.com.

Consider Dorset gym membership

There's still lots of ice out on the lakes if you're thinking of getting some ice fishing in this winter. If you have a permanent hut it doesn't need to be off the lake until March 31, unless the ice breaks up sooner, which is probably not going to happen. Always remember to check the thickness of bodies of water you're unfamiliar with, and even with ones you know well, you never know when conditions can change.

The snowmobile trails have been incredible thanks to all the snow we've received and also because of the groomers who go out every night to make sure the trails are perfect. You can visit ofsc.on.ca to see which trails are open in case you're not sure.

Do you need to get in shape for summer

or just want to stay fit? Consider a membership at the renovated Dorset Gym. If you haven't been in a while it's worth a visit, as they've upgraded a lot of the equipment and will be upgrading more in the near future. Memberships are available for everyone, including family memberships. You can visit <https://www.algonquinhighlands.ca/news/dorset-recreation-centre.php> or drop in to 1051 Main Street. The website also features an activities calendar so you can see what's happening every day at the gym.

Happy birthday Aubrey Keown, Ted Morris, Lorraine Cyopick, Bryn Davies and Colleen Tyrrell. For birthdays and submissions please send them to burgesslt@me.com.

-Lee Ross, Dorset

Raising awareness by sleeping in cars

by SUE TIFFIN
Times Staff

Pledge forms were flying out of Fay Martin's folder after she made a delegation

to Minden Hills council on Feb. 14 about a Sleeping in Cars event being held overnight this March 1.

The event, which welcomes "sleepers," who will sleep in their cars overnight, is primarily intended to raise awareness of

homelessness in Haliburton County, and participants are invited to raise funds for a one-bedroom apartment in Cardiff, currently under construction.

"The event is being hosted by Places for People to raise awareness about the extent

and nature of homelessness in Haliburton County, where sleeping in a vehicle is a common 'choice' when one has no place to live and has worn out couch-surfing options," said Martin in her letter to council.

Mayor Brent Devolin said he would be available at the event to offer access to washrooms and a warm space if needed in the township building on-site.

Councillor Pam Sayne said she appreciated the event and the attention it will bring to the issue, noting she had spoken to someone who was living in their car who spoke to the science they had to go through of testing it out and preparing it to be safe for extended periods of time.

The Sleeping in Cars event takes place in Minden in the council chambers from dusk Friday, March 1 until dawn on Saturday, March 2. A campfire and gathering of cars for both "sleepers" and supporters will meet 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday night, and a reflection circle begins at 7 a.m. on Saturday morning. The event is also taking place in Haliburton, in the Dysart library parking lot, and in Wilberforce, at the Lloyd Watson Centre parking lot. For more information or to donate, visit www.placesforpeople.ca.

Online prenatal program offers information for soon-to-be parents

Pregnant, but not sure what to expect? Then the health unit's new online prenatal program is for you.

This month, the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit is launching its new – and free – prenatal program website that allows local residents to access reliable and accurate information on pregnancy, childbirth and parenting. To register and login to the e-learning program, visit the health unit website (www.hkpr.on.ca), contact us via Facebook (www.facebook.com/HKPRHealthyFamilies), or call 1-866-888-4577, ext. 5003.

The online prenatal learning option will improve and expand service to expectant parents in Haliburton County, Northumberland County and the City of Kawartha Lakes.

"We can now bring the prenatal program directly to you," says Julie Ghafur, a public health nurse with the HKPR District Health Unit. "Many people prefer online learning, so this will allow them to access and refer back to information when, where, and how they like."

The local health unit is one of 11 public health agencies in Ontario collaborating with the company, Injoy, on the delivery of the online prenatal program. The site includes resources, videos, fun quizzes, learning activities, helpful web links (including to local pregnancy support services), downloadable resource sheets, and a parents' toolbox loaded with interactive features. The online prenatal program has another advantage – there are no commercials or sponsored content.

"Many pregnancy and parenting websites have ads, pop-up windows and other sponsored information that can distract and take away from learning," Ghafur says. "The health unit's new online prenatal program is intended to be a perfect fit for you... trusted and unbiased education, your way."

Submitted by the HKPR Health Unit

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Physician recruiter included in budget

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operating framework for the economic development portion of the new position is quite complex and will take considerable time. It will be necessary to work out a formal role, a terms of reference on how this position will interact with the economic development staff at the local municipalities, potentially work out a framework for an economic development advisory committee as well as other issues."

Rutter's report indicated that could take as long as nine months.

In the meantime, council included \$75,000 in the budget for a physician recruiter, which, for now, is to be a part-time position. Half of that money will go toward wages, half toward marketing, advertising and other recruitment materials.

Councillors also allotted \$50,000 for continued work on transit.

Last year, the county commissioned a transportation implementation plan from consulting firm IBI Group for \$50,000, which outlined a plan for a booked, shared ride service, which it is estimated would cost approximately \$300,000 annually to operate. Councillors still have a number of questions about the logistical hurdles of implementing such a system, which they continue to put to county staff and the county's transportation task force. Council's goal is to work toward creating a request for proposals to be issued by the end of year, that RFP providing firm prices. If the service level and price tag is to council's satisfaction, then the goal is to implement a service at the beginning of 2020.

The budget is scheduled to be formally passed on March 27.

Township explores more parking for Hawk lakes

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is looking to provide more parking off of Big Hawk Lake Road and Little Hawk Lake Road.

Both roads are dead ends which end at docking facilities where water-access cottagers park to access their properties. While the township maintains parking lots in both areas, during the summer months, both roadways become lined with parked vehicles. According to a report from public works director Adam Thorn, during the 2018 Labour Day weekend, between the two locations there were approximately 350 vehicles parked along the road.

"It seems to be increasing yearly," Thorn told councillors during a Feb. 21 meeting.

Neither lake is at development capacity and Thorn has been looking into options for increased parking space.

At Little Hawk, the relocation of a privy from the parking lot when it is replaced would provide a bit more space and in addition, the County of Haliburton may widen the road bed, which would allow for six to eight vehicles to be parked along the roadway.

A more long-term solution, however, may involve land owned by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry. Thorn will contact the ministry regarding the potential purchase or property use agreement for a nearly two-acre parcel of land owned by the ministry, which would be developed into a parking lot.

At Big Hawk, the plan would be to develop 1.5 to two acres of township owned land abutting the roadway into additional parking. A vegetative buffer would be retained between the road and the new lot.

"I'm not hearing anything negative, so I guess we'll look forward to that coming back," said Mayor Carol Moffatt.

Thorn will bring further reports back to council.



Hawks outflank Spartans

Red Hawks forwards Nigel Smith, left, and Braeden Robinson, who scored the winner, converge on a loose puck in front of the LCVI Spartans goalie Leo Davidson during the second game of the best-of-two Kawartha quarter-finals series on Tuesday, Feb. 26 at the A.J. LaRue Arena. The Hawks won 5-0 to close out the series and advanced to the Kawartha semi-finals against the Holy Cross Hurricanes on Wednesday, Feb. 27. Hawks goalie Carson Sisson earned the shutout in the win. /DARREN LUM

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Hawks shine silver at COSSA Championship

by **DARREN LUM**
Times Staff

When the A COSSA championship was over the Red Hawks girls' volleyball team held their heads high after losing to the visiting Quinte Christian High School Eagles.

Although the Hawks played with grit and tenacity in the championship final, the Eagles were clearly the better team and deserved to advance to the all-provincials as the COSSA champions with a 3-0 (25-16, 25-18 and 25-12) win.

Earlier in the day, the home side earned their trip to the final with a dominant performance in the semi-finals. Overpowering serves and a far superior offence were clearly in the Hawks favour against the Ecole secondaire publique Marc Garneau.

The packed stands of mostly peers, alumni, friends and family had plenty to cheer during the 3-0 (25-11, 25-15 and 25-17) win.

Coach Dan Gimon said the silver medal was a product of hard work and dedication to improving.

"They worked hard this year. They worked hard in practice. We started in November and we practised four days week. Sometimes we practised a couple of times on weekends and the commitment was there, so I think that's a big part of it," he said.

He adds it was impressive to see the large contingent of supporters for the Hawks and was a showcase to exhibit the growth and

the development of the team.

"Whoever came out could see the progress we made as a team and kind of as a program too I think because the last time we hosted COSSA here was like three or four years ago with the juniors. I think it's a good thing and it's good for their self-esteem and their morale to be able to play in front of [a home crowd] – and this is kind of what we've been building towards is a lot of the mental part of the game is to play in front of a home crowd. Show off what you have and I think they can be proud," he said.

The COSSA final happened to put the Hawks in what can be best described as a role-reversal from their semi-final match.

Going down by 10 points to start the final match was an early test for the team.

Being able to respond to this adversity has been something the Hawks' coaching staff has been working with their players on dealing with.

"That's all part of the mental thing too is that they got to ... which is what we've been trying to teach them: Yeah, you get behind, but you got to get back up again," Gimon said.

The Hawks got back up and made a game of it by going on a 13-6 run, getting to within three points of the Eagles, losing 13-16. This response had the players fired up and brought the home crowd to life, who screamed and applauded in support. Unfortunately, the Eagles bent, but didn't break going on a 9-3 run to end the game



The Red Hawks senior volleyball team had reason to smile after earning a COSSA silver on Wednesday, Feb. 20 in Haliburton. Pictured from left at front, captain Natayla Gimon, Ruthie Parker, Freya Moran, Alexius Mills, Alyssa Bogardis and Emma Casey. From left at back, team co-coach Janice Scheffee, Nicole Cox, Ania Smolen, Samantha Steffensen, Dakota MacDonald, Arden Harrop, Jordyn Nicholls and co-coach Dan Gimon. /DARREN LUM Staff

with a 25-16 win.

The second game started much better than the first for the Hawks.

They actually started with a 3-1 lead and were tied 5-5 before the visitors pulled away

with a 9-2 run to lead 14-7. Haliburton would make a last push, narrowing the deficit to six points, but ended up losing 18-25. In the end, the Eagles proved to be the deeper

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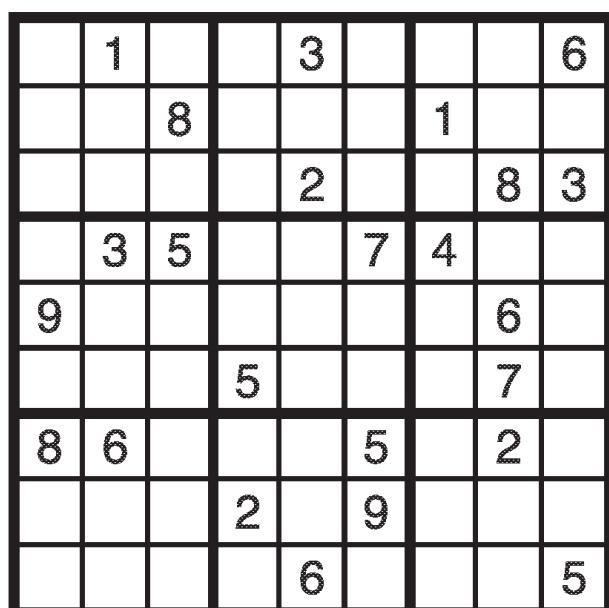
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Bright future for program

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team and started the third like the first, leading 9-0. The visitors kept up the pressure and won 25-12.

Gimon acknowledged the disparity between the teams in the finals.

"We got out served. That was the big thing. They are a good team," he said.

Gimon thought his strongest players such as his captain and daughter Natayla Gimon and Dakota MacDonald, who will leave after this year and look to play post-secondary volleyball, learned there is always someone better than you with this defeat.

For the younger players, it showed there is optimism for the future and a solid foundation because of quality coaching, including faculty available to assist the program – the Steve Smith coached juniors finished as Kawartha semi-finalists.

"They can look at this team and go, 'Well, they got a good program and I think we can match it.' There's a lot of girls on the junior team. Steve [Smith] had 15 this year and there are more coming from [JDHES]. Only four are moving up to senior so, yeah, they'll look at building the program," he said.

The team's future is looking bright with COSSA junior call-ups Jordyn Nicholls and Alexius Mills (Sky Lambshead was also called up, but could not play due to injury).

Nicholls was part of the regular rotation and showcased booming serves and all-around solid play.

Gimon thought if the team had the junior call-ups for the whole season, the final's outcome could have ended differently. Their addition could have added depth to match the Eagles.

"That's the thing about their team. They got depth. They got three club players and the other players are all [capable]," he said.

referring to the opponent.

Missing from the lineup for COSSA was rookie Rebecca Archibald, who was on a family holiday. He said her absence was felt.

Gimon credited N. Gimon for her quality of play and leadership as a major factor for the team's success.

"Without her I don't think we would have gone this far. It's not so much my coaching. I'd say it's more her playing," he said.

The captain was quick to credit her dad, her coach with getting her game to where it is to be her best for herself and the Hawks.

"It's easy to play with him coaching. He's always pushing me to my best. He knows my limits. He knows when I need to push myself more. He's very good at that and I think knowing where he wanted me to go and where he wanted to be able to help the team go was good," he said.

She said the difference between the teams in the final was the ability to return serve.

"Their serving was very, very strong and ... our passing just wasn't up to par with their serving so that's what they beat us on. Had we had the passing we would have had a much better go at things," she said.

N. Gimon, whose defence and spikes at the net and from the back line kept defences on their heels in the tournament, is hoping to get accepted to Dalhousie University where she wants to play volleyball and to major in one of three areas of study marine biology, health promotion or English.

When asked about the significance of the silver medal, N. Gimon said it will be a reminder of where she came from and will provide her a basis for comparison to when she hopefully plays post-secondary volleyball.

"This is where I came from. This is how I learned and became the player that I am and will be," she said.



Youth curlers place second and third

Haliburton County youth curlers from left, Jacob Dobson, Evan Roitz, Jonah Aldom, Lena Haase, Corin Gervais, Liam Little, Micah Aldom and Savannah Byers represented the area well at the open curling competition held on Feb. 22 at the Peterborough Curling Club. The U18 curlers finished second and third in the field of eight rinks. The county also had four U15 teams compete at this competition. Two of them finished first and second. Submitted by Jane Boyd

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider by-laws to stop up, close, and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:

1. File No. PLSRA2018023: Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Registered Plan No. 1, Violet Street (Closed), Geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 10, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10201, registered January 14, 2019.

2. File No. PLSRA2018024: Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Lot 8, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 11, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10201, registered January 14, 2019.

3. File No. PLSRA2018025: Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Lot 8, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 12, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10201, registered January 14, 2019.

4. File No. PLSRA2018026: Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Lot 7 & 8, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 13, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10201, registered January 14, 2019.

5. File No. PLSRA2018035: Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Lot 20, Concession 10, Geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 2 & 3, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10177, registered November 20, 2018.

6. File No. PLSRA2018070: Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Kashagawigamog Lake, lying in front of Lot 22, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 2, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10199, registered January 14, 2019.

7. File No. PLSRA2018071: Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Bob Lake, lying in front of Lot 11, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Anson, designated as Part 1, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10164, registered September 28, 2018.

8. File No. PLSRA2018075: Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Kashagawigamog Lake, lying in front of Lot 19 & 20, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10200, registered January 14, 2019.

The above noted plans of surveys are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario during regular office hours. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the undersigned at 705-286-1260 (x206) or by e-mail at iclendening@mindenhillsc.ca.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the proposed By-Laws will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at the hour of 9:00 AM At that time, Council will hear in person or by their counsel, solicitor, or agent, any person who claims that their land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. If deemed advisable, the proposed By-Laws will be passed at its regular meeting to be held on **Thursday, March 28, 2019**.

DATED AT THE Township of Minden Hills, this March 7, 2019
Ian Clendening, MPI., Planner



NOTICE 2019 SPRING LOAD RESTRICTIONS

Under the Highway Traffic Act and County By-Law #2216, the County of Haliburton enforces reduced load restrictions on trucks to protect the County roadways during spring thaw, when road damage is most likely to occur.

Restriction on permits issued under the Highway Traffic Act and County By-Law #2216:

As outlined in the Highway Traffic Act and County of Haliburton By-Law #2216, reduced loading will be in effect in the County of Haliburton effective 12:01 a.m. on March 1, 2019.

The actual date of reduced load limit enforcement will be in effect when and where signs are posted. All annual and project permits for moving of heavy vehicle loads, objects or structures, in excess of limits set out in the Act and the By-Law, unless otherwise specified, are not valid on any County Roads during the Reduced Loads Period.

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MINOR HOCKEY

Peewee A

On Friday, Feb. 22 the JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports/Haliburton Family Medical Centre Highland Storm Peewee A travelled to Shelburne to face the Shelburne Wolves in Game 3 of the quarter finals. It was a close game however the Storm lost 5-4. Goals were scored by Cheyenne Degeer and Addison St Cyr.

On Saturday, Feb. 23 the JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports/Haliburton Family Medical Centre Highland Storm Peewee A hosted the Shelburne Wolves in Game 4 of the quarter finals. It was a close game up until the third period. The Storm lost 6-3. Goals were scored by Beckam Reynolds and Addison St Cyr.

On Sunday, Feb. 24 the Peewee A's hosted the Shelburne Wolves in Game 5 of the quarter finals.

The first period started with a goal by the Shelburne Wolves. Next was a beauty goal by Addison St Cyr and then another goal by Austin Boylan making it a 2-1 game going into the second. The second period was all Shelburne they scored two goals and the game was 3-2 going into the third. The third was an amazing come back for the Storm. Addison St Cyr scored early tying up the game and then three minutes later St Cyr scored his hat trick and the winning goal! The final was 4-3 and the JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports/Haliburton Family Medical Centre Highland Storm Peewee A are now in the semi-finals of the playoffs versus the Frontenac Flyers. Way to go, Storm!

By Amber Card

Atom

The Ridgewood Ford and Cottage Country Building Supplies Atoms faced the visiting Shelburne Wolves for one last time this past Saturday at A.J LaRue Arena. With a good crowd in attendance the Storm hit the ice with hopes of tying up the series however a few quick goals from the Wolves to start the game proved to be too much to return from, leaving the Storm chasing the lead for the rest of the game. A solid effort by net minder Chase Winder once again as he did his

best to keep the goal count low. The Storm managed to cut the lead to two with goals by Parker Simms unassisted and Jace Mills from Caleb Manning. The Storm Atoms despite their many efforts to fell by a final score of 4-2.

By Pasi Posti

Midget LL

The LL Highland Storm Pharmasave Midgets headed north on Sunday to play the Huntsville Otters. The highlight of the scoreless opening period was a pretty pad save by Storm goalie Nate Mischio on an Otter breakaway. The Storm opened the scoring when Teo O'Malley recovered his own rebound and setup Colin Crowe in front of the net. The Otters were the stronger team in the second period and as a result took a 2-1 lead into the final frame. The game turned into a defensive battle in the third until O'Malley got his second assist of the evening feeding the puck to Jake Sisson in the slot for the tying goal. Sisson almost gave the Storm the lead moments later. The entertaining match finished in a 2-2 tie.

By Gord Hoenow

Peewee LL

On Saturday, Feb. 23, the Walkers Home Hardware LL Peewee team travelled to Gravenhurst to take on South Muskoka CC Tatham for the last regular game of the season. Only two minutes into the game Nathan Harrison received a pass from teammate Wyatt Raposo and rushed down the ice to score the first goal of the game. South Muskoka were hot on our heels and scored a goal of their own. The second goal was shot by Weston Bowker, assisted by Daniel Stephen, which ended the period with Storm in the lead. The second period was just as exciting. Each team scoring three goals, two by Alex Hendry and one by Harrison assisted by Adam Davis, Spencer Bowker and Mikayla Sisson. Going into the third period both team battled for the puck. Goaltender Aaron Neave made some incredible saves to keep the Storm in the game. It was South Muskoka that put one in the net

putting them in the lead. Not long after Bowker received a hat trick tying the game. It was a great team effort! The Walkers Home Hardware LL Peewees end the season with the MPS tournament in Parry Sound next weekend March 2-3. Come cheer them on!

By Lisa Reinwald

Tyke LL

The Tom Prentice Storm Tyke Team played in Bracebridge Saturday morning taking on the Muskoka Bears.

In the first period Storm's Nixon Ecclestone and Kelson Bagshaw scored and the Bears ended the first with three goals. Storm fought back with Ecclestone scoring and hat trick in the second. The Bears tied the game back up. Both teams wanted the win but with Storm's Matthew Mueller scoring and Ecclestone and The Bears scoring two more in the third this action packed game ended in a tie. On Sunday the Tyke team played in a fun day in Port Carling. First game was against the Bears and first period saw Ecclestone scoring and hat trick and Bagshaw scoring one. Bears ended up with five. In the second Mueller scored one and Ecclestone scored another four goals! Bears ended up scoring seven. Jaxon Robichaud was named player of the game! Next game was against Parry Sound. Storm scored seven goals by Mueller, Ecclestone, Rowan Johnson, and Jaxon Hurd. Storm only allowed one goal against! Ecclestone was named player of the game.

Their third and final game of the year was against Wasaga Beach. Storm ended scoring 12 goals in this game by Ecclestone, Mueller, and Hurd. Storm allowed only four goals against. Mueller was named player of the game. Storm's Tyke team had an amazing year and improved their skills immensely thanks to Coach Steve, Coach Jesse, Coach Darren and Manager Kerri. Last fun practice will be on Tuesday night in Haliburton! Storm proud!

By Marita Bagshaw

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MINOR HOCKEY

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Atom LL

On Saturday the GJ Burtch LL Atoms hosted the South Muskoka Wes Finch Atoms. The Storm would play this game with their starting goalie on the wing and one of their leading scorers playing net for the first time. The Storm's Jacob Davis would open the scoring with only 50 seconds left in the first. Assist to Taylor Mulock and Zach Prentice. Only 30 seconds later Eric Mueller beat the South Muskoka goalie five hole, assist to Olivia Gruppe and Jacob Lloyd.

The second period South Muskoka tested rookie net minder Isaac Borgdorff. Borgdorff stood his ground making numerous sprawling saves. One scorpion style save Borgdorff kicked the puck out to Jacob Davis who sent Brody Hartwig streaking toward the net. Hartwig's rebound landed in front of Lloyd who scored his first of the season.

The third started with some impressive passing by Hartwig and Davis who setup Taylor Mulock. Mulock made a sweet move and beat the South Muskoka goalie. Five minutes left in the third Jacob Mantle received the puck from Jacob Lloyd. Mantle eluded a couple opponents before finding Jacob Davis open on the far side, Davis let his slapshot go, punctuating the win with a 5-1 final.

Sadie Evans-Fockler earned the hard hat blocking shots, cleaning the zone, and racing back to foil a number of break-away opportunities. Next up the Storm will compete in the MPS LL year end tournament in Bracebridge next weekend.

By Jamie Lloyd

Peewee 2 LL

The Highland Storm LL Peewee Canadian Tire faced off against Parry Sound Harry No Frills in Gravenhurst on Saturday. Both teams were playing strong all game which led to a final score of 1-1. Our single goal was scored by Ethan

Megrah-Poppe, assisted by Ethan Thomas and Faysal Wiso.

On Sunday the Highland Storm LL Peewee Canadian Tire team travelled to Sundridge to face off against the Almaguin Ice Devils.

The Storm came into the game like a tornado and took over the game. With goals by Jamie Crowe, Ethan Megrah-Poppe, Faysal Wiso, Nathan Guild, Haiden Bird, and a hat trick by Carter Stamp, the Storm defeated the Almaguin Ice Devils with a score of 9-2. What an amazing game. Carson Simms did amazing both games defending our net and keeping the goals away from the competition all weekend.

The Highland Storm LL Peewee Canadian Tire team plays in their final tournament this upcoming weekend in Parry Sound.

By Shawn Guild

Midget girls

The Bancroft IDA/Park View Dental Midget girls Jets team displayed their vast array of hockey skills and excellent team work against the Peterborough Ice Kats in their first round of playoffs. Both teams took a win and the games were evenly matched. Unfortunately, despite all of their hard work the Jets got beat out by the Kats in the final game 1-0.

On Saturday, Feb. 16, the Jets hosted and faced Peterborough again on home ice for their first play down game. The team was determined to take the win. The final result of their hard fought efforts was a win 3-1. At the four minute mark in first period, the puck came off the boards from behind the net, and Beth Brownlee was able to tap it in past the Ice Kats goalie, unassisted. No goals were scored in the second. Half way through the third, Gabby Burnett, positioned in front of the net, got the rebound from a shot from teammate Haley Goulet, and was able to jam the puck in. With two minutes on the clock, Goulet then scored with a wrist shot, glove side. The assist went to Victoria Shpikula.

By Linda Goulet



PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant: Beecham
Lot 2, Concession 10, Kushog Lake
Geographic Township of Stanhope

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has declared part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 2, Concession 10, Kushog Lake, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) that part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 2, Concession 10, Kushog Lake, described as all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Geographic Township of Stanhope, in the County of Haliburton and being composed of the following:

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The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, on the **7th day of March, 2019** and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. Any person who wishes to be heard by Council regarding this proposed closure must contact the Clerk to schedule a delegation with Council.

Dated: February 28, 2019

Matt Gower
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When: Tuesday, March 5, 5 to 7 p.m.
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Five wrestlers heading to OFSAA

On Friday, Feb. 22, the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School wrestling team competed at the 2019 COSSA Wrestling Championships in Belleville.

More than 160 athletes representing 15 schools from the COSSA region attended the competition. HHSS wrestlers performed very well and finished the day with six athletes qualifying for the OFSAA Championships, however one of the wrestlers will not be able to attend.

In the women's division, Charlotte Paton (64 kilogram) and Connie Oh (57.5 kilogram) went undefeated to capture gold medals. Both women wrestled tactfully and with grit throughout the day to emerge as champions in their respective weight classes.

In the men's division, first-year wrestlers Nick Phippen, Logan Heaven and Corin Gervais stunned their veteran opponents with excellent performances. Phippen narrowly lost

his consolation final and earned fourth place at 54 kilogram. Heaven earned the bronze at 57.5 kilogram and Gervais took the silver medal in the 51 kilogram division.

Austin Weller had the best match of his wrestling career during his semi-final. He dominated to advance to the finals, but lost to get the silver medal at 72 kilogram. Teammate Nic Graham (89 kilogram) wrestled well all day, but lost in the final to earn silver as well. Senior wrestler Aidan Coles used his speed and mat sense to win the gold medal. This is Cole's second consecutive year as the COSSA champion at 95 kilogram.

Congratulations to all wrestlers on a great COSSA performance. Hal High will be represented with five Red Hawks at next week's OFSAA Wrestling Championship held at TD Place from March 4 to 6 in Ottawa. Good luck!

Submitted by Paul Klose



The Red Hawks wrestling team from left, Nick Phippen, Nic Graham, Austin Weller, Aidan Coles, Connie Oh, Charlotte Paton, Logan Heaven and Corin Gervais stand together at the COSSA Championship. The Hawks performed well at the competition, which featured a field of more than 160 athletes from 15 schools in the area, finishing with three golds, three silvers, a bronze and a fourth place finish. Submitted by Paul Klose



Red Hawks wrestler Nick Phippen works to get free, defending against a leg attack.



Red Hawks wrestler Connie Oh performs a half-nelson move on her opponent during the COSSA Wrestling Championship on Feb. 22 in Belleville. Oh dominated her weight class, going undefeated to win COSSA gold. She will compete in the all-provincials from March 4 to 6 at TD Place in Ottawa.

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Red Hawks Grade 9 wrestler Corin Gervais wraps up and pins his opponent with the unstoppable cradle during the COSSA Wrestling Championship on Feb. 22 in Belleville. Gervais finished with a silver medal and will advance to the all-provincials, which will be held from March 4 to 6 at TD Place in Ottawa. Submitted by Paul Klose on behalf of the Hawks wrestling team.

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Honing his gardening, landscaping and grounds-keeping skills and knowledge at family properties north of Fergus and in the Haliburton Highlands, Kyle developed a deep connection to the natural world and a profound sense of environmental responsibility and stewardship. He was a key member of the "Love Your Lake" Healthy Shoreline Project team with the Halls and Hawk Lakes Association that received an Environmental Hero award from the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust and The Township of Algonquin Highlands in 2015. In addition, he played an important role in natural shoreline and playground restoration work at Elvin Johnson Park on Halls Lake.

Pre-deceased by grandmother, Helen, grandfathers Ken and Harry, Kyle is survived by parents Shirley and Terry, grandmother Bette, sisters Devon and Aislinn, brother-in-law Ryan, aunts Jan, Judy, Elaine and Faye, uncles Robert, Wayne, David, Peter and Ralph and host of cousins, all of whom have been profoundly affected by Kyle's courage, strength and incredibly positive outlook on life, despite all the obstacles thrown in his path.

A Celebration of Kyle's Life will be held Sunday March 3, 2019 at HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, 13523 Highway 118, Haliburton, 705-457-9209. A Gathering with the Moore Family will commence at 2:00pm, Kyle's Celebration of Life will begin at 2:45pm, and a Reception will follow.

Everyone is welcome to attend to help us honour Kyle's life and share the stories we hope will help keep his memory alive in our hearts and minds.

Please bring any pictures and/or stories that you would like to share.

In lieu of flowers, the family is asking that donations be made in Kyle's name to the Gerry and Nancy Pencer Brain Tumour Centre at Princess Margaret Hospital (C/O <https://pmhf3.akaraisin.com/Donation/Event/DonationInfo>) or to the Environment Haliburton (EH!) in support of its "Green Burial Society of Haliburton County Initiative" www.environmenthaliburton.org/green-burial

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In Loving Memory of Gladys Margaret Walker (nee Porter)
 Passed away peacefully at the Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay on Sunday, February 24, 2019, at the age of 82.

Beloved wife of the late Arnold. Dear mother of Gwen and A.J. Hewitt, Alan (predeceased-1973), Scott and Jean, Ken (predeceased-2018), Sherry and Ron Coe, Marilyn and Rick Denyer. Loving grammie to Lisa (Mike), Greg (Carrie), Steven, Walker, Liana, Alyssa, Julie, Cathy, Joanna, Leanne, and great grammie to Michaela, Taryn and Kiera. Predeceased by her brother Glen Porter. Fondly remembered by her nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0 on Thursday, February 28, 2019 from 11:00 am until the time of the Service to Celebrate Gladys' Life at 1:00 pm. Reception to follow in the Monk-Cray Family Centre at the funeral home. Cremation has taken place.

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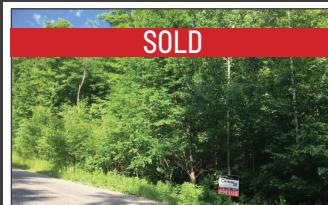
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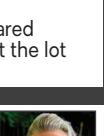
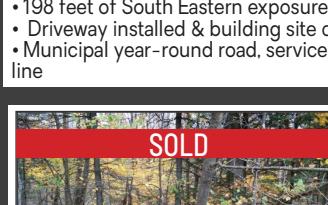
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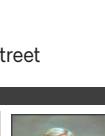
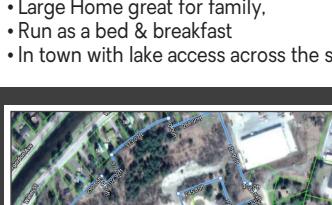
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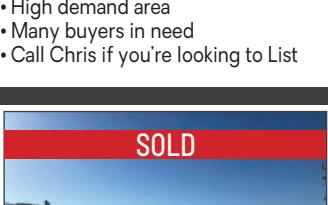
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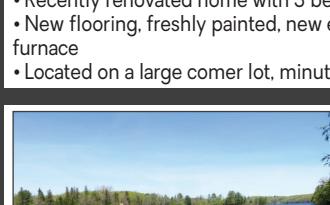
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